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SUBJ: LOS: SC.II WG MEETING AUGUST 15, 1973

1. SUMMARY. WG AGREED TO SUBMIT ALTERNATIVE TEXTS ON LIST ITEMS DIRECTLY TO SECRETARIAT. FORM, CONTENT AND TIMING OF WG REPORT TO SUBCOMTE II WERE ALSO AGREED UPON.

2. CHAIRMAN ANNOUNCED THAT LIST ITEM 2.1 HAD NOW BEEN REDUCED FROM 14 DOWN TO 4 ALTERNATIVES. WG SHOULD BEGIN ON GROUP B ITEMS (5, 6, 7, 8.4, 9, 10 AND 11) WHICH DEALT WITH RESOURCES.

3. LARGE NUMBER OF DELEGATIONS THEN READ NEW ALTERNATIVE TEXTS OR REQUESTED THAT PROPOSALS ALREADY SUBMITTED BE INSERTED UNDER SUITABLE LIST ITEM.

4. U S REQUESTED THAT ITS DRAFT ARTICLES ON SEABED ECONOMIC ZONE BE PLACED UNDER LIST ITEMS 5 AND 6. DRAFT ARTICLES ON FISHERIES WERE TO BE PLACED UNDER ITEMS 6, 7 AND, AS APPROPRIATE, 8.4 EXCEPT TO EXTENT UNCLASSIFIED

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LIMITS ISSUES WERE ALREADY PLACED UNDER 6.5

5. IN AFTERNOON, EGYPT RAISED QUESTION OF FORM AND CONTENT FOR WG REPORT TO SUBCOMTE II AS THIS WAS DUE ON AUG 15. AFTER EXTENSIVE DISCUSSION, IT WAS DECIDED THAT DELEGATIONS WOULD HAVE UNTIL FRIDAY, AUG 17 TO SUBMIT ALTERNATIVE TEXTS ON LIST ITEMS DIRECTLY TO SECRETARIAT. THIS PROCEDURE WOULD AVOID HAVING TO RAISE TEXT IN WG. REPORT WOULD BE GIVEN TO SUBCOMTE II ON MONDAY, AUG. 20 AND WOULD CONSIST OF TWO PARTS. FIRST PORTION WOULD CONTAIN BRIEF, OBJECTIVE OUTLINE OF WG RESULTS AS WELL AS WG DOCUMENTS 2, 3 AND 4 (CONSOLIDATED TEXT). SECOND PORTION WOULD CONSIST OF ALTERNATIVES SUBMITTED BY DELEGATIONS, INCLUDING EFFORTS TO REDUCE NUMBER ALTERNATIVES. IN REPORT DISCUSSIONS, CHAIRMAN WAS STRONGLY SUPPORTED BY TURKEY AND, IN SOME RESPECTS, NIGERIA. CHAIR WAS ACTIVELY PRESSURED BY EGYPT (RAPPORTEUR FOR SUBCOMTE II) AND GREECE. USSR, CANADA, CHILE, AUSTRALIA, BRAZIL AND U S EXPRESSED VARIOUS TYPES OF CONCERNS ABOUT FORM, CONTENT AND TIMING OF REPORT. (WG WILL NOW DEVOTE REMAINING 3 MEETINGS TO INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS TO REDUCE ALTERNATIVES.) BASSIN

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